

June 5, 2007

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT FUNDS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY THROUGH THE LOS ANGELES/LONG BEACH URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE, AND APPROVAL OF A BUDGET APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

(All Districts) (4 Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Director of Health Services, or his designee, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, to accept grant award funding in the amount of \$5,390,000 from the 2006 Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) Grant.

2. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to execute all other documents with the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, UASI and other grantor agency, necessary to finalize the grant, upon approval by County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Office.

3. Approve an appropriation adjustment (Attachment B) in the amount of \$5,390,000 to recognize funding from this grant in Fiscal Year (FY) 2006-07 for Services and Supplies (\$890,000) and Fixed Assets (\$4,500,000).

4. Authorize the County's Purchasing Agent to proceed with the solicitation and purchase of fixed asset items in excess of \$250,000 (Attachment C).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The Department of Health Services (DHS) is requesting Board acceptance of the UASI Grant in the amount of \$5,390,000 from the U. S. Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training which is providing financial assistance directly to the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area through the 2006 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Grant.

Overseen by the California Office of Homeland Security, this grant provides funding to address the unique equipment, training, planning, and exercise needs of large urban areas, and to assist them in building an enhanced and sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from, threats or acts of terrorism. The grant period is August 28, 2006 through March 31, 2008.

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IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

Approval of the recommended actions will provide funding to enable Los Angeles County, through DHS' Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency, to continue to improve emergency preparedness, response, and planning capabilities. Acceptance of the grant award supports the County's Strategic Plan Goal 2, Workforce Excellence, and Goal 3, Organizational Effectiveness, to create a positive workforce by providing assistance to develop the tools necessary to respond to acts of terrorism by collaborating across functional and jurisdictional boundaries for planning and responses to acts of terrorism, and Goal 4, Fiscal Responsibility, by securing grant funds for the purchase of needed equipment.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The UASI grant is fully funded by the Department of Homeland Security, Office of Grants and Training through the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area. There is no cost-share or matching fund requirement.

Approval of the appropriation adjustment will increase DHS EMS Agency's budget by \$5,390,000 to be utilized for Services and Supplies (\$890,000) and Fixed Assets (\$4,500,000). DHS will be reimbursed by the City of Los Angeles.

The following has been approved for purchase under this grant: 1) Mobile Hospital, 2) Mobile Hospital medical equipment, 3) Warehouse lease, and 4) Personal Radiation Equipment.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

The Governor's Office of Homeland Security through the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area has provided DHS with specific guidelines for the activities and expenditures allowable under this grant. The Department received a copy of the State's official notification of subgrantee application approval from the City of Los Angeles on April 11, 2007.

Attachments A and C provides additional information.

CONTRACTING PROCESS:

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security guidance for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) grant program requires a full partnership from federal, state, local governments and the private sector. They identify the key disciplines that must be involved, which includes law enforcement, fire, EMS, medical and health and emergency management. Therefore, Los Angeles County Department of Health Services as the health agency for the City of Los Angeles and most UASI cities within the Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area is a key partner. The Emergency Medical Services Agency fulfills the EMS and Medical responsibilities and has been a sub-recipient of the UASI grants since their inception in Federal Fiscal Year 2003.

The acquisition of the equipment is under the statutory authority of the County's Purchasing Agent, and will be requisitioned, solicited, and purchased in accordance with County Purchasing Policies and Procedures.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

This grant will enable DHS to purchase equipment to expand its sustainable capacity to prevent, respond to, and recover from, disasters, terrorist events and public health emergencies.

When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce A. Chernof, M.D.

Director and Chief Medical Officer

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c: Chief Administrative Officer

County Counsel

Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

Internal Services Department, Purchasing Division

SUMMARY OF BOARD LETTER

1. Type of Service:

The Department of Homeland Security's Office of Grants and Training has allocated funds from the 2006 Los Angeles/Long Beach Urban Area Security Initiative Grant to fund emergency preparedness, response, and planning capabilities.

2. Address and Contact Person:

Department of Health Services - Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Agency 5555 Ferguson Drive, Suite 220

Los Angeles, California 90022

Attention: Cathy Chidester, Acting Director

Telephone: (323) 890-7545 Fax: (323) 890-8536

E-mail: cchidester@ladhs.org

3. Term:

The grant period is August 28, 2006 through March 31, 2008.

4. Financial Information:

The grant provides \$5,390,000 to the Department of Health Services with no cost-share or matching fund requirement.

5. Primary Geographic Area to be Served:

Countywide.

6. Accountable for Program Monitoring:

The County's local EMS Agency.

7. Approvals:

Emergency Medical Services Agency: Cathy Chidester, Acting Director

Contracts and Grants Division: Cara O'Neill, Chief

County Counsel: Edward Morrissey, Sr. Deputy County Counsel

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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2006 LOS ANGELES/LONG BEACH URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT ITEMS IN EXCESS OF \$250,000

EQUIPMENT	UNIT COST	QTY	TOTAL COST
Mobile Hospital and medical equipment	\$4,500,000	1 system	\$4,500,000